

**Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2020 at 6.30 p.m. via Zoom**

**Present:**

Councillors: Steve Alford, Philip Barnet, Steve Chilman, Tom Dixon, Clive Gurney, David Kelly, Trevor Pritchard, Simon Whiteman (Chair),

**In attendance:**

Clerk/RFO Maureen Robinson

Ward Cllr Carole Gandy

Local residents – 1

**1. Apologies for absence:** None

**2. Declarations of Interest and written requests for dispensations:** None

**3. Open Session – brief verbal reports received from:**

3.1 Ward Cllr Gandy had circulated her report which can be seen in full on the Border Group website. Ward Cllr Gandy reported the number of confirmed Covid 19 cases in Herefordshire stood at 441 deaths in hospital, 53 deaths in Care Homes, 54 balance in Hospices and at home.

The planning application at Birtley should be determined this week.

3.2 Chair and Councillors' reports: None

3.3 Local residents – a resident had contacted the Clerk to ask when the SID would next be in Brampton Bryan as it had been a considerable length of time. The resident also expressed the view that BGPC should not hire out the SID to other local Parishes if this disadvantaged Border group residents.

**4. Minutes of the previous meetings -18<sup>th</sup> February 2020 and Extraordinary Meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

These were **APPROVED** and will be signed by the Chair when possible.

**5. To receive an update** on Walford Drainage bid including the Holloway- awaiting quote from Lengthsman to include clearing of Holloway. Walford Flood Group are liaising with Leintwardine FG and have produced their first newsletter. The clearing of the concrete culvert on the B4350 will now be part of Balfour Beatty's schedule. A request was made for the sluice to be installed asap as weather conditions considerably improved. Update at June meeting.

**6. To consider request** to re-site parish noticeboard in Walford – Clerk to consult Locality Steward as proposed new location on highway (triangle at junction by Walford crossroads)

**7. To receive an update on SID** and consider if proposed hire to Stapleton Group PC is still an option. **AGREED** in principle but Stapleton need to install socket.

**8. Finance**

8.1 No Clerk expenses/other invoices for May

8.2 To note arrangements for 19/20 AGAR/ Internal Audit and end of year accounts – all paperwork now finalised and will be delivered to IA next week by Clerk.

**9. Highways**

9.1 To consider work to be undertaken under P3 scheme – recruitment of new Footpaths Officer/ replacement for Joe Thomas. Clerk to produce flyer for recruitment of Footpaths officer and circulate. Cllr Barnet agreed to make enquiries re a replacement for Joe Thomas. Any surplus P3 materials will be stored by BGPC

9.2 To consider work to be undertaken by Lengthsman – no routine work currently. Walford drainage project will be main focus once quote received.

**10. Planning**

To consider comments to Herefordshire Council on the following application: **None received.**

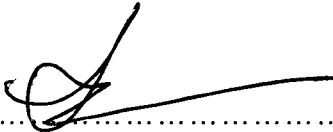
**11. To consider response** to Core Strategy Settlement Hierarchy Review (deadline 3<sup>rd</sup> April) – deferred to June to confirm if response still relevant.

**12. To note** Information sheet/ Correspondence received and responded to.

**13. To raise** matters for next meeting agenda. No discussion

- **Walford drainage**
- **Walford notice board**
- **SID**
- **Sluice**
- **Footpaths Officer**

There being no further business the Chairman closed the Meeting at 7.40p.m. The next Meeting will take place via Zoom at 6.30pm on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2020.

Signed..........Date...23.....6.....20.....